Remarks

In the Office Action dated November 23, 2009, claims 1 and 3-7 were pending. Claims 1 and 3-5 were objected to. All claims were rejected. However, the Examiner suggested amendments which would result in allowable subject matter. Applicant has adopted the Examiner's suggestions. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicant submits that this Amendment After Final Rejection only adopts the Examiner's suggestions. Accordingly, Applicant is entitled to entry of this Amendment as a matter of right under 37 C.F.R. §1.116(b)(1). The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned agent for Applicant at 919-765-5097 in the event that issues remain unresolved by this response and could be discussed via telephone for clarification.

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